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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of:

MICHAUD

Appln. No.: 09/034,415

Filed: March 4, 1998 Examiner: L. Cross

For: COMPOSITIONS FOR DRYING SOLID SURFACES

October 5, 1999

Group Art Unit:

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This submission is in response to the Official Action of June 10, 1999. A Petition for a one-month extension pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the requisite fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) are attached. Kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 3, line 15, remove "as" and replace with --a--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 1, 4, 6, 7, 11 and 13, as follows: